TitleNeed to take steps to solve the problem of scarcity of drinking water in Berhampur Parliamentary Constituency, Orissa. − Laid.

SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU (BERHAMPUR - ORISSA) : United Progressive Alliance Government has promised in the Common Minimum Programme for safe drinking water to every nook and corner of the country. This was also reflected in the Budget presented by Hon. Finance Minister on 8th July, 2004. My Lok Sabha constituency Berhampur (Orissa) consists of two municipalities, seven NACs and sixteen blocks. Since last 25 years this whole constituency faces acute drinking water shortage. Promises have been made by the State Governments earlier but nothing has materialized. So I request the Union Government to direct the State Government to send proposals to solve this problem, particularly in Berhampur city, the heart of South Orissa where 3 lac people have been suffering since long.